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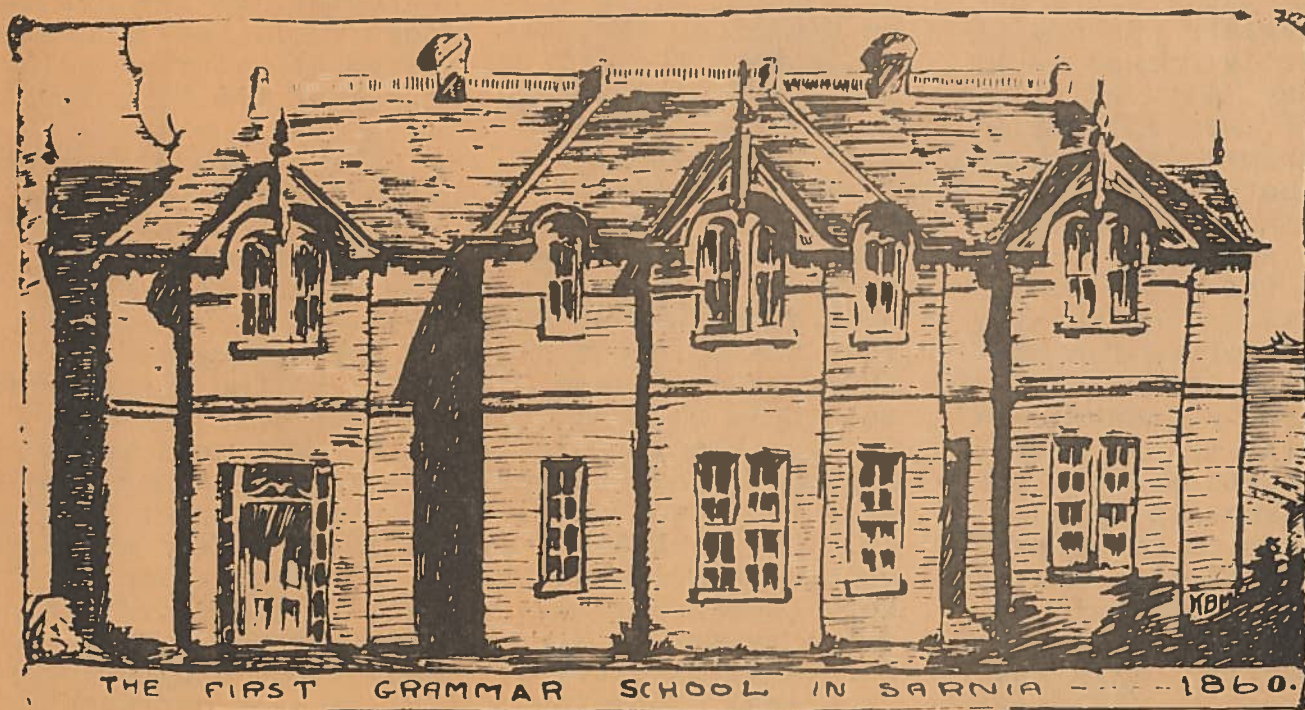
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WELCOME HOME

“The Old School”



THE FIRST GRAMMAR SCHOOL IN SARINIA ---- 1860.

The Opening Of The New Collegiate

The official opening of the Sarnia Collegiate Institute and Technical School placed this city among the foremost educational centres of Ontario. On that day the students were presented with a gift of inestimable value in which they are given an opportunity of gaining knowledge in every phase of education. The pupils of the former school were continually involved in various activities but with the opportunities afforded the students of the new Collegiate the present term has already set an enviable record, and one which will be difficult to surpass by future students.

Although the pupils have been in attendance since Sept. 6 the new Collegiate was not officially opened until Friday, Oct. 27, 1922 and a very enjoyable programme was arranged for both afternoon and evening. The pupils were requested to attend the afternoon programme as the evening was reserved for citizens. About seven hundred students were present and as many outsiders as the seating capacity of the auditorium would permit.

The first number on the programme was a selection by the school orchestra. This was followed by the singing

of "O Canada" by the pupils.

The formal opening

A violin duet by Miss Mildred Lucas and Miss Inez Misner of the



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address was given by the Rev. Mr. Hall, the chairman of the Board of Education, in which he presented the students with the gift of the Board, the Sarnia Collegiate Institute and Technical School.

An appreciation by R. Charles Brown, representing the student body was very creditably given and we feel that the opinions of every student were voiced in his speech.

Miss Winnifred Bell rendered a well-received vocal solo "My Dear Soul" which was followed by a very instructive address by Mr. F. W. Merchant, Director of Technical Education.

Technical department was followed by an address by Mr. Overholt, Principal of the Brantford C. I., well remembered as a former principal of the Sarnia C. I.

The school orchestra then favored the assembly with a selection and the students sang the "Maple Leaf Forever."

The programme was ended by the singing of the National Anthem.

The citizens who visited the school inspected it under the guidance of the cadets.

At the evening as well as the afternoon function the orchestra and cadets took an active part as represent-

atives of the students.

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felt the need of greatly strengthening the fellowship which it fosters, but until

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The School Uniform — 1922

Early in November, there arose an issue of great importance to the girls of the school, and, as it proved later, to the boys also, namely, that of school uniforms for the girls. Wherever a number of girls were gathered together, one was almost certain what the main topic of conversation would be, and seldom was he disappointed when, on drawing nearer, one girl would be heard to remark, "Well, for my part, I think it is a fine idea," and another one to answer, "I am not so sure about that. I am almost positive that I would get awfully tired of wearing the same thing every day." And then, the real discussion would begin. The proposition was, without doubt, thoroughly threshed out.

A date was settled on which the matter should be decided by a vote of all the girls, and, as the day drew nearer and nearer, the girls wavered, now favoring this side, now that. But, when the day finally did arrive, they showed their true school spirit and almost unanimously voted in favour of adopting the uniform.

The dress upon which the girls agreed is a navy blue pleated skirt and white-trimmed flannel middy, with the school crest

in white on the left sleeve, for winter, and a white skirt and white middy with the school crest in blue for the warmer days.

If there is anyone in the school who still does not favour the idea of a uniform,

it would be well worth his while to get up on the platform some day, at one of the meetings of the Literary Society, and look over the girls' side of the Hall. We are sure that he would then no longer disapprove.

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What High School Means To A Graduate

During his "teens" a boy is molded into the person from which he will change very little in later life. A safe passage over these most important years assure him a better-than-average chance in the future, whether that future leads directly to his life's work or to continued studies in college.

Every boy looks forward to the day when he will complete his high school training and receive his

certificate. Sometimes the course seems to him to be a long, dull grind only justified by the attainment of this objective. It is only after graduation that he can fully appreciate the good times that he had while attending school. When he looks back, he finds, perhaps to his surprise, that many of the highlights of his school days were not to do with school activities such as rugby games, annual shows or form parties, but took place in the classes

themselves. He realizes that most of the "miseries" which he experienced resulted from his own laziness or carelessness, and these miseries, although seeming to be of major importance at the time, were certainly not lasting. Next time he meets an old school-mate he may agree with the latter's remark, "I wish I were back at school again."

After he has severed connections with his high school, for what seems to him a long time, a boy at last comes back as a graduate to the commencement exercises. When he receives his diploma he may feel a certain pride in his achievement, but it is not the diploma which makes him feel that he is a graduate; the sight of the many new faces does that. In the midst of these newcomers, however, are the many familiar faces of his teachers and fellow pupils and to renew their acquaintance and to inquire about the recent school news is a pleasure which only a graduate can really appreciate. So when he goes home, the 'old boy' at last understands why so many former students return year after year to look over the various school activities, and he resolves, that from now on, he will be among them.

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THE OLD SCHOOL

It is a far cry back, to 1886, but I thought it would possibly be of interest to the present generation of students to learn where and how their parents and grandparents were educated. When I joined the Sarnia High School Staff on January 1st, 1886, a young man twenty-five years of age, full of vim and just two years after my University graduation, the building we taught in stood on the site of the present hospital. As a school it possessed every quality that a school should not have. It contained four classrooms, two capable of holding twenty-five pupils and the other two holding from seventy-five to eighty each. I was going to say comfortably, but there was no provision for comfort. Those rooms were heated with box stoves and along-side each stove was a pile of cordwood. As a consequence one side would be exceedingly hot and the other side exceedingly cold.

The lighting of all rooms was from the front right, or rear, but never from the left. There were three cloak-rooms, each ten feet square, two for the girls, and one for the boys, and all inaccessible to the two south rooms. There was an outside wooden stairway for the use of the south upstairs pu-

pils. The lavatories consisted of two "telephone booths" at the

one in which the subject was taught.

The school grounds



back of the yard, fully one hundred yards from the school.

The apparatus for teaching chemistry was contained in a sort of closet upstairs in the north-west corner of the building, while the class was taught downstairs in the south-east corner. The whole apparatus could easily have been carried in a good sized market-basket and was entirely out of date. The only good article was a barometer and it was out of repair. One year later, however, six hundred dollars was voted for the purchase of chemical and physical apparatus, but this again was stored in a different room from the

were utterly uncared for and were too small for games of any kind. A deep ditch ran the whole length of the boys' playground, into which it was considered the correct thing to tumble any "Smart Alex", especially if it was good and muddy. There were no activities of any kind in connection with the school, except the annual concert in the town hall.

As environment has a great influence on the young it can readily be understood that the pupils were a rather wild, rough, undisciplined but loveable lot of young barbarians. Stern discipline was necessary, without such no teacher

could have survived a term. But when the young "cubs" were reduced to order, most excellent work could be accomplished. The first day that I entered the school I found 186 pupils present, divided as follows, twenty-five in each of the first and fourth forms, seventy-two in the second. Proper classification was impossible and this was further aggravated by the fact that in those entrance examinations were held twice a year. The consequence was that every six months the whole of the first form had to be promoted, whether ready or not, in order to make room for the newcomers. With all those handicaps one would wonder how results were obtained, but, "Brick and Mortar" do not make a school. As an instance I know of an old log school presided over by one master many years ago. He taught everything from the primary to Honour Matriculation. In discussing education some years ago with the General Manager of one of our largest Life Insurance Companies, he told me that he got in that little, old, log schoolhouse such a training in mathematics and bookkeeping that he was able to take the position he held for over thirty years. I can recall four boys who attended that old Mitton Street school who took the entire

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matriculation work in law in one year. Another boy who attended there is Chief-Justice

preachers and the enrolments of both were such, that they were not sought after at that



TEACHING STAFF OF THE S. C. I. & T. S.

of one of the provinces at the present time.

Up until the time I came to Sarnia and for several years after, no pupil had ever gone from the Sarnia High School to the University. Higher education was not highly valued in the town as it was thought that University men usually became teachers or

time. The highest salary paid to any specialist in the old school was nine hundred dollars per annum. Our teaching hours were from nine a. m. to four p. m. but where pupils were anxious to work or get ahead we had no time limit. In 1889 it was decided that the time had come to erect a mod-

ern school, and after a great deal of discussion and owing very largely to the exertions of the late Michael Fleming, the present building on the London Road was erected and opened in 1891. Hon. George W. Ross, Minister of Education for the Province was present at the opening ceremony, and pronounced it the finest and best equipped Collegiate Institute building in the province. We had the High School raised to the status of a Collegiate Institute at that time. Scores of pupils have gone out from those schools and they are scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Many have won wealth and honour and fame and wherever I meet them I always get the glad hand.

The cost of the London Road was about forty-five thousand dollars for school and equipment. A great deal of dissatisfaction was expressed amongst the ratepayers at the extravagance of the Board. If some of these same ratepayers were to come back to-day and look over our present school and learn its cost, I do not know what would happen to them. I oftentimes wonder if the present generation realize and appreciate the wonderful opportunities that have been so generously provided for them. Mr. W. T. Evans, now Judge Evans of Hamilton joined the Sar-

nia Collegiate Staff at the same time that I did and continued with us for two years. When he left to study law, I do not know whether the "Loaves and Fishes" was the inducement,--I surely missed him.

At the close of the present year, sad to contemplate, I shall be a back number, as practically the last of my old pupils will have left the Collegiate. To the new pupils I shall be a stranger, but I shall always retain a deep interest in the fu-

ture success of the school. In conclusion let me say to any pupil that has aspirations to reach a higher place, but may be discouraged through lack of means or other obstacles, press on, with high courage, a way will open. The plumes of life are not on the average won by the rich, also remember the words of Aeneas to his disheartened followers--

"Forsitan et haec olim meminisse juvabit."

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It was first formed in February 1921 in the London Road School under the direction of Mr. Wilbert Carter. Very soon afterwards it was taken over by our present director, Mr. Brush, under whose competent leadership it

October 27, 1922, the orchestra consisted of four violins, one mandolin, two cornets, one clarinet and a piano.

The orchestra has at times struggled for survival, as when, during the war, a great percentage of its mem-

bership was serving our country. In 1926 there were but ten members. It was in this year that both the band and the orchestra journeyed to Stratford and captured first and second places, in the music festival. Pianist for the orchestra in 1926 was Atwood Kennedy, who without doubt, was the most competent and the most accomplished this school has ever seen. He died very suddenly in 1928, and in remembrance, the students erected the plaque which may now be seen in the corridor just outside the assembly hall.

In 1936 three members of our orchestra received the honour of being chosen with students from all over the Province, to play in the Ontario Secondary School, Symphony Orchestra, in which there were one hundred members.

The orchestra has been a consistent win-

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ner of the Wilson cup, now displayed in the trophy case, for obtaining a standing of seventy-five percent or over in the Lambton Musical Festival.

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few exceptions for the past twenty-nine years, the orchestra has added much to the morning assembly exercises with its rousing marches and, occasionally, a special musical selec-

tion: One person and only one person has made all this possible—our conductor, Mr. Brush, who through his devoted and untiring efforts has raised the orchestra to its present high standard.

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1945

MODEL BOY AND GIRL OF THE S.C.I.

Figure.....	DANNY BROWN
Clothes.....	JIM BRUNTON
Hair.....	RAY McDERMID
Eyes.....	DAVIE KILBREATH
Smile.....	CLETE SLOANE
Friendliness.....	BILL WILKINSON
Personality.....	HANK HENRY
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Athletic Ability.....	NORM ANDERSON
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A History Of 1923

Written In The Year 9999

Man in 1923 is supposed to have developed a rather high state of civilization. It is strongly believed that our primitive fathers had schools in which they educated their young. A recent excavation revealed a large stone building, in which pieces of slate were found; scientists believe the teachers used these to write upon.

A rude and rusted chariot has been found near the ancient city of Detroit. A great warrior called Ford once owned these, and several such chariots

have also been found throughout a country then called Canada. It is now believed that his whole army rode in such a fashion to battle against the great Packard clan.

Fruit of the now extinct golf tree has been found buried in a creek. Weapons called putties and mashies show us the primitive state of the men. Women at that time, were also very wild. They learned to use the rolling pin with great effectiveness, and used this as their sole weapon. The women put red

paint and flour on their cheeks, probably to frighten the enemy in time of battle.

These people spoke English but we would not understand their language. Phrases such as, "give her the gas, kid!", and "ain't she the frog's tooth!" show us that grammar was as yet unheard of. Seemingly these people were very fond of music, but they sang only one tune. Over a thousand copies of a melody called, "Yes, We Have No Bananas," have been found in the apartment homes of our ancestors.

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The meaning of such a song can only be guessed at. Much literature has also been found concerning some great man, probably a warrior. This man was named Andy Gump.

They also learned to tame the wild horse, as a certain horse called Spark Plug was given much praise. The skeletons of huge birds have been found near Point Edward. These

these people. The miles of celluloid with the picture of the same person upon it has been studied by the scientists. They have found that by rapidly cranking these pictures through a machine they can be reproduced on a screen. We find in observing these pictures that some of the women wore their hair down their backs in long curls,

ing at the pictures of a man called Ben Turpin, and the feet were turned out like those of Charles Chaplin. Funny names were used; one man's name is nearly blotted out, but we suppose it to be Rhubarb Vaseline. One picture has proved Darwin's ancient theory of man's descending from the ape. The actions of Douglas Fairbanks show us this very clearly.

The clothing worn at that time appears humorous to us. In a surprisingly short time feminine dress changed from long sleeves and extremely short skirts, to no sleeves and long skirts. No doubt the women were very athletic and took pleasure in showing their legs and arms, although they are not what we to-day would call muscular.

A tomb consisting of three stories has recently been revealed by excavators near the ancient city of Sarnia. Many rooms were set apart for the use of departed spirits, but why a tomb should contain a huge amphitheatre, two gymnasiums and a swimming pool, with many heating facilities, can not be understood by scientists. Thirty-one skeletons have been found, and modern physiognomists say that all these once had very stern, manacing features.



species were called the aeroplane, and why they have not survived, is attributed to the destructive tendencies of man at that time.

A discovery has been made giving us light upon the appearances of

like a woman called Mary Pickford. Others had it cut like a man's and brushed into a tangled mass on the top of the head. Men were very deformed in 1923. The eyes were crossed, as we observe by look-

1923

Sarnia C.I. vs. Business Girls

The students had their first chance to see what the girls'

test it was.

The Business Girls had a margin on the



GIRLS' HOCKEY TEAM

ILLIAN WHEATLEY, OLIVE McGRATH, NELLIE GORDON, MISS BURRIS (Coach), SYLVIA MANNING, EVELYN JOHNSON, FLORIE LAUGHER, EDNA COBBAN (Captain).
FRONT ROW—OLIVE WARWICK, MARGARET REID, HELEN FRANK, JENNY WISE, FRANCES DENN, CARL ALEXANDER, EVELYN JOHNSON.

hockey team could do, when a game with the Sarnia Business Girls was staged at St.

Andrew's Arena on Monday, March 10. The game resulted in a 1-1 tie, the score indicating what a close con-

S.C.I. in weight, but for the most part the play was even. During

the first period neither team scored, both forward lines rushing well but shattering on the defence. In the

second period Muriel Loudon put the Imperials ahead but Edna Cobban tied the counter on a combination pass. During the third period the play was open and both forward lines were sweeping down the ice on combination and individual rushes, which did not result in further scores, however. There was no overtime played.

At Home

The greatest event in the social life of the school is the Annual At Home. This is a formal dance given by the students in honour of the Alumni and is held during the Christmas vacation.

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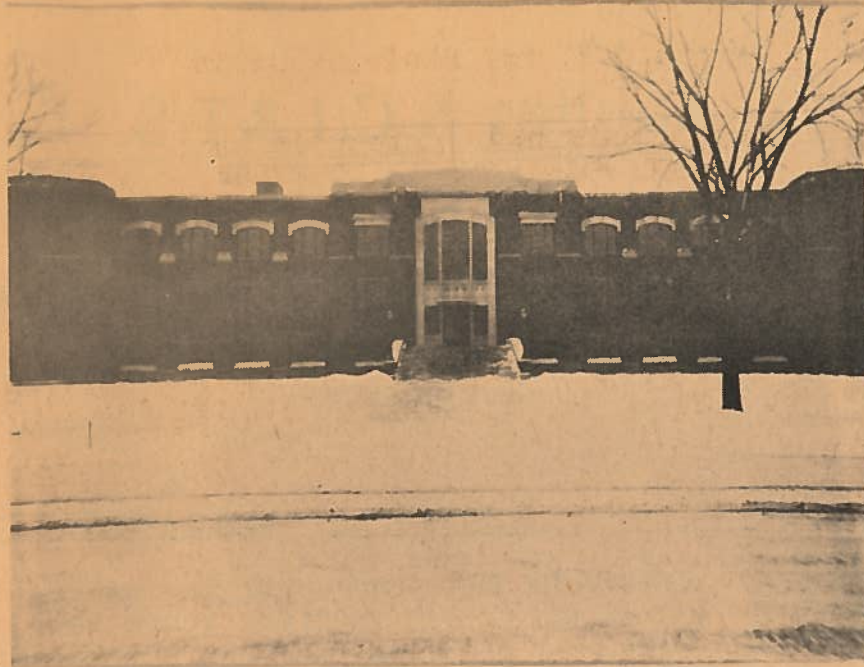
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EARLY SCHOOL YEARS

From the vantage point of a form in S. C. I., a collegian is able to look back with interest upon the days when he or she first sought to tread the paths of learning.

As I think of my early school years in S. S. No. 6, I realize that "going to school" in our rural districts is fraught with more possibilities of adventure than is attendance at a large city school. In the country there is a mile and a half or a two mile journey to make twice a day. A school-child may traverse that distance in a greater variety of vehicles than a Cook's tourist might use on a world tour. Of course we usually started out on "Shank's Pony", but if we were a little tardy in setting out, then it would be necessary to "walk one telephone pole and run two." However, our road was well travelled, and often a buggy would come along and we gratefully accepted any proffered ride. If the driver were not thoughtful enough to suggest a ride we would politely request one. It did not make any difference to us whether the buggy was drawn by a would-be-race-horse or an old nag that would



occasionally stop to view the scenery or enjoy an extra breakfast from the grass along the roadside. In winter-time a cutter could hold twenty-one; this I have proved not by

mathematical permutation and combination, but by experience. No means of locomotion was too slow or too quick. We have tested them all, from a log hauled along on a sleigh to a

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What a long journey we set out upon when we started to school. Few, if any of us would think of starting to walk to Vancouver, but when, as little tots of five or six, we set out to walk the mile and a half to school, we began a journey that in the six years or so of our public school life, totalled about three thousand miles. And what an adventurous journey! One part of our road was skirted on either side by bush. During our first days at school the older pupils delighted in telling us about the bears and wolves that lurked in the "forest". That was true enough in the days of their grand fathers, but our companions omitted to say that they

were telling us tales of fifty years ago. As we smaller pupils were dismissed from school an hour before the older ones, we approached this bush very timidly, afraid lest some wild animal might pounce out from its shadows. No explorer of the polar regions could have felt more heroic than

we did, as we daily traversed the road from school.

Of course, within the four walls the curriculum is almost the same in country as in city, for Entrance examinations are ubiquitous throughout Ontario. However, the rural pupil has some advantages even in the class-room. In a one-roomed school the little beginners in the primer class are a source of much amusement (concealed though it must often be) to the older pupils. I remember one Easter our young school-master was confronted by a class of sixteen beginners. As they stood in a semi-circle before the blackboard, and the master's back was turned to them for a moment, one small, fair, curly-haired boy turned and kissed the little girl next to him. Unfortunately she did not appreciate his friendly overtures



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Bernice Simpson (Captain), Wilma Workman, Marion VanHorne, Bertha Lewis, Mary Simpson, Muriel Teskey, Jean Wheatcroft, Viola Simpson, Thelma McKay, Mary Colman, Donald McGee (Manager), Miss M. Forwick (Coach).

and burst out crying,
but the rest of the
scholars were convulsed
with laughter. The
master quickly turned
at the sound of the
smack and asked the
small boy what he had

done. The innocent
reply came, "Please,
I thought Rosie looked
lonely, and I kissed
her." The master found
it impossible to rebuke
him.

Only too soon the

early school years
slip away. The
Entrance examinations
come in country as in
the city and early
school days become
one of childhood's
memories

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S.C.I.T.S. March Song

S.C.I.T.S. is calling
Can't you hear her
summons low?
Where the North meets
South and East meets
West
And the scarlet maples
grow:
Where the roses bloom
in splendour
And the life is gay and
free,
Where the old St. Clair
is flowing,
That is home sweet home
for me.

S.C.I.T.S. is calling,
It's a call for you and
me,
And each loyal son and
daughter too
Gives the answer: "Here
are we,
We will strive to do
thee honour
In our work and in our
play,
Give a shout for S.C.I.&T.S
All together, 'Hip,
Hurrah'."

S.C.I.T.S. is calling
On a glorious autumn day;
Roll the signals out
While the rooters shout
And the old school band
does play.
Yards again--we've got
them going--
Yards again--we're on our
way--
For it's blue and white,
fight, fight, fight,
Cross their line to
Victory.

IS FOUR YEARS IN COLLEGE WORTH WHILE

A problem that is being discussed in many homes at the present time and is in the minds of many of the students of our school is "Shall I go to college?"

the idea that a man can cannot be educated except in school or college. Many of today's most successful men of Canada have not had much formal schooling

in life and that a university degree is a necessary requirement for reaching his goal, why of course he should go to university and waste as little time as possible getting there. If financial considerations are a bar, let him obtain a job for himself, provide himself with part of the funds and borrow the rest. A boy of this type presents no problem; let him go after his objective by the most direct route; he will receive help and encouragement from every side.

Then there is what we may term the "drifter" type. He is in school because he has been sent. Often in possession of considerable ability, he proceeds on his leisurely way through high school taking an extra year or two to complete the ordinary course. He does not know what he wishes to do in life and seems not to care. If the ability is there it is worth an effort to try and save him; if his ability is low, school offers him nothing and the sooner he quits the better.

How to determine whether ability is present in this type of student is often hard. Examination results usually rank very low, and it is for this reason that teachers hesitate to advise a



I have, during my teaching career, discussed this particular subject with many students, and to all inquiring I reply "I do not know and will not try to solve the problem until a thorough discussion has taken place." Here I will add that each case must be decided upon its own merits.

Before proceeding we must rid our minds of

and yet are better educated than thousands of university graduates. It depends altogether on the individual. Schools are simply here to direct the energies of those seeking education and to give them that education and to give them that education with the least waste of time.

When a boy knows what he wishes to do

pupil who makes low marks to discontinue his schooling, for he might change his ways and be a decided success.

To students in the "drifter" stage college can offer little. They should not go to college but get a job, establish a work habit and possibly after a year or two they may find out what they need and with the change in their attitude make a success of their college career.

Students' minds may be classified as of the sieve, the sponge and the tool type.

The "sieve-like" mind is just what the word denotes. Any amount of information may be poured in, but only a little clings to the edge. Such a student is not likely to get much beyond public school, and rarely the matriculation examination.

The "sponge-like" mind absorbs information from many sources, retains it until an examination, for instance, forces him to pour it out again and in the same form in which it entered. To this class many pupils belong, pupils often in possession of a remarkable memory and able to obtain high marks, but never able to discriminate and unchanged by criticism. For them college may offer something, but it is not worth the

expense.

However, the "tool" mind takes the facts that are presented, revolves them, discards the waste and unfit material and finally brings forth a finished product that is worth while. To such a student college offers much, and it is regrettable that there are not more with this brand of ability.

Several months ago a group of Standard Oil officials visited Sarnia. Of that group almost everyone was more than a university graduate; he had taken post-graduate work. Such is the trend in modern business. Men with technical education are required. This brings us back to one of my first statements; if the boy knows what he wishes to do, and that way leads through college, he should go by all means.

However, there are many who are planning to go to university and wish to take the liberal-arts course, or in the popular phrase, "get an education." The words of one of the executives of a great industrial corporation may be quoted: "The trouble with the average liberal-arts graduate is, that he has not been fitted for a business career; he has spent four years of the most formative period of his life where the mental pace has been leisurely. When we receive such men they

lack initiative and accuracy. They are starting with a four-year handicap and must be trained from the foundation." That may be true for the average, but here again the results depend upon the student and his attitude to his course. Business concerns will take the college graduate in preference to non-graduates, other qualifications being equal.

And so, in conclusion, let me repeat that if you are thinking of entering college and your parents can afford it without sacrifice, be sure that you are not of the "drifter" type and that you can derive benefit from such an undertaking.

If, however, college would mean a serious sacrifice on the part of your parents, do not be in a hurry to go: obtain a job for yourself, take one, two or more years to think it over; and when you go, you will find at college many more who have done the same thing.

Blair Gray, B.A.

"Dear Mr. Dennis." wrote Nola's mother, "kindly excuse Nola's absence from school yesterday afternoon, as she fell in the mud. By doing the same you will greatly oblige her mother."

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Mr. Keeber--"Come on
you hair-brained ass."

you hoboes, keep to the
railing."

Miss Brown--"I'll see
you after four."

Mr. Gray--"Upon what
theorem does it depend."

Mr. Fielding--"Cease
fire--change targets."

Mr. Treitz--Does not be-
lieve in words, but be-
lieves on the old saying,
"action speaks louder
than words."

Mr. Dent--"I will tell
you when to move."

Miss Buriss--"All
right class, you may
go."

Mr. Dennis--"Wait until
the clock says four.
Then you all may go, and
not until then."

Miss Scarrow--"I'm
afraid you'll have to
go to the office."

Miss Harris--"That's a
bare-faced lie."

Mr. Dobbins--(in orches-
tra) "Baw...Boo...Baw."
(in class) "Look at my
muscle from sawing."

Miss Pugh--"Sit down
until you are dismiss-
ed!"

Miss Nichol--"Tear that
out and draw it over
again."

Mr. Dore--"Why, have
you never had any of-
fice experience?"

Mrs. Urquhart--"Scrib-
bling books at once for
your daily dozen."

Mr. Andrews--"Come on,

Miss Ferguson--"Boys,
get in line."

The Board of Education - 1928

The Members of the Board of Education feel that the 1926 Edition of "The Collegiate" cannot be allowed to go to press without an expression of our appreciation of the loyal co-operation of the Staff and Student body of the Sarnia Collegiate Institute and Technical School.

We have striven to give you the best and, in return, we have asked and received those two attributes which go to make a successful school--a loyal staff--a willing student body.

To the individual student, we would say that, having watched you on the playing field, mingled with you in

your social activities and checked the results of your Departmental Examinations, we believe that you will go out into the broad fields of life better fitted to take your place there, because, as students in the Sarnia Collegiate Institute and Technical School, you have lived up to the traditions of this wonderful institution, namely, in your games, sportsmanship--in your social functions, politeness--in your examinations, industry and self application.

In conclusion let me say, on behalf of the Members of the Board that, proud as we are of you, for what you have accomplished and

are accomplishing, we look--to you for even greater things in the future.

Ross W. Gray
Vice-Chairman

Two travellers returning home late at night lost their way. One inebriate said: "We're in a cemetery, here's a gravestone." "Whose it is?" asked the other.

Striking a match, the more sober one replied, "I don't know, but he died at a good age--175."

"See who it is," said the other.

Another match was struck--"I don't know him, some chap called Miles from Sarnia."

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1928

The fall of 1928 adds another rich plume to the history of the Sar-
nia Collegiate in the sphere of athletics. After five years when we saw success slip through our fingers as we seemed on the verge of victory, only to lose on account of the "breaks", we have captured the supreme laurels in Collegiate football. We have won the W.O.S.S.A. championship in rugby for the fifth year in succession and have crowned this achievement by winning the Interscholastic championship and as a result we have been proclaimed the Interscholastic Champions of Canada.

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At Home

The 1932 At Home, held in the school gymnasium on the evening of December 30th, was one of the jolliest dances of the Christmas season. The splendid representation of the alumni, for whom the dance was sponsored, and also of the students, gave a wholesome school spirit to the affair.

The gymnasium was attractively converted into a summer-like bower of green and white lattice and rose and pink streamer effect. The patrons and patronesses were: Principal

Rose Gardens

and Mrs. Asbury, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tennant, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. White, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Batten. A delightful programme of dance music was furnished by the Casa Nova orchestra under the direction of Bill Clark. During the evening light refreshments were

served. The dance lasted from nine o'clock until one o'clock.

The committee, under the leadership of Tom Doohan, was very efficient. Other members were: Refreshments, Mabel Couse; Decorations, Stella White; Invitations, Grace Chambers; Programmes, Art Hueston.

WAR

The world today is in a state of unrest. It can be compared to a barrel of gun-powder, with only the tiniest spark needed to set it off. Newspapers throughout the country carry story after story of the merciless slaughter being carried on in Spain; articles are written on new discoveries which can be used as instruments of warfare; nations spend billions on rearmament; aeroplane factories work twenty-four hours a day turning out fighting craft. Everywhere, from the highranking official to the poorest labourer, the common topic is war.

Has man gone insane? Are we going to forget the awful slaughter of the Great War, the gaps in population which take generations to fill? Are we going to sacrifice the youth of the nation again, to satisfy the ego of some foreign dictator? The latter question has been brought to the foreground again and again, yet we go blindly on, heading straight towards the abyss, from which the only safe retreat lies through a curtain of shells, liquid fire, bombs and tanks devised by man for the annihilation of his fellow men.



1934-1935 Winners of G. A. A. Crests

Merle Armstrong, Doris Brown, Beatrice Dennis, Winnifred Durnford, Margaret Eacrett, Nola Fraser, Emma Hargrove, Edith Hughes, Margaret James, Edna Kee, Nora MacNamara, Marion McKinlay, Blanche Maidment, Inez Moorehouse, Kay Nickell, Pauline Palmer, Ina Rosebrough, Thelma Ross, Ilene Sproule, Ruby Stewardson, Jean Stedwill, Jessie Walker, Elaine Ward, Geraldine Whitcombe.

Based on the above Program, a pennant is awarded the form scoring the highest average in the point system. Although they won no first places in the tournaments, last year the girls of Coll. 1C were awarded this All Round Championship pennant due to their consistent interest. They are to be congratulated on their good sportsmanship.

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Facts About Sarnia - 1938

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Number of School Rooms.	125
Number of School Pupils	4092
Number of Churches.	21
Assessed Value of Property.	\$18,461,250.00
Miles of Sidewalks.93
Miles of Roads Paved.	14.36
Miles of Water Pipes.45 1/2
Number of Telephones (approx.).	4200
Customs Receipts--1937.	\$5,537,325.59
(Customs Excise and Sales)	
Post Office Revenue--1937	\$65,855.72
(Stamps only)	
Number of Galls Water Used.	1,189,155.352
Area of Public Parks.	175 acres
Population--1937.	18,155
Births--1937.	426
Deaths--1937.	248
Marriages--1937	162
Local Improvement Funded	
Debenture Debt.	\$43,088.90
Unemployed Relief Works	95,055.93
Maintenance Services.	160,462.15
Waterworks.	248,131.75
Parks	15,221.67
Schools	238,529.23
Hydro	56,576.69
Housing	46,421.61
Elevator.	549,350.66
Miscellaneous	143,895.33
Number of Homes	5010
Number of Street Lamps.	1303
Total Taxes Collected	\$706,997.14

HUMANITY TAKES A STEP

(1935)

Humanity took a definite step forward during the past year. It found out something.

It found out that munition workers are today engaging in an amazing game of secrecy,

intigue, business rivalry, spying, and general instigation of warfare between nations

I believe that this has been not only a revelation that has come to the people as a thunder clap of fact,

but that it has done more to discourage the chances of future warfare, in the minds of the vast majority, than all the bitter condemnation of the church, and all the anti-war campaigning of men.

Students' Council

In the 1942 Collegiate appeared this complaint: "The thing uppermost in a great many student's minds is 'Why haven't we got a Student's Council?' As each succeeding generation comes along it placidly asks itself this question, yet nobody seems to have done anything about it." This year the

students did do something about it, and the Student's Council of the S.C.I. has been firmly planted in the field of traditions surrounding the school.

As the 1943-44 term was drawing to a close a meeting was held of all students who were interested in a Student's Council. This meeting was an exper-

iment upon the outcome of which, the long-debated question of a Student's Council ended. The students supported their cause with an excellent attendance. Fager questions and helpful suggestions brought forth a proposal that the following term should see the inauguration of the Student's Council.

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Staff Changes - 1946

In this, our first post war year, we welcome back many of those who left us several years ago to serve in the armed forces. We welcome them and hope that their futures may be prosperous.

In this group are Mr. Durnford and Mr. Fielding, who left us several years ago.

We also welcome Miss Wilton, who had been on leave of absence because of illness. Miss Wilson joined the

Staff in January, assisting Miss Ramsen in the gymnasium.

Mr. Little and Mr. Wickett have completed their first year here, Mr. Little assisting in the Grade Nines, while Mr. Wickett opened our new Guidance Department.



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1946 Com-Te-Call

An inovation in the annals of school history this year was Com-te-Coll (come to call). The name Cometecall (Commercial, Technical, and Collegiate) brings together all the courses of the school. It is an evening of recreation and enter-

tainment in the Collegiate every other week.

The program is varied with a great number of activities progressing at one time. One gym is usually given over to dancing while active sports such as volleyball and box hockey are taking

place in the other. The ping pong tables are always popular on these nights, and many a ping pong champ will receive his training here. There are also games of chess, checkers, poker, cribbage and even bridge held in several classrooms.

BLUE BOMBER BOUNCE

On November 28, 1952, with free food foremost in the minds of all, the clan of S.C.I.&T.S. gathered to dance in both gyms. This evening we were the guests of the Boys' Athletic Association.

The prize at stake was to be a free dinner in the dining room of the Colonial Hotel, with free transportation. The lucky winner was June Williams of C-12. We sure hope she enjoyed herself.

For those who were not fortunate enough to win, cokes and doughnuts were served.

I'm sure we all feel this dance was really a great tribute to the Blue Bombers of 52.

Teachers vs. Students

The 1952-53 Annual Volleyball classic between the perennial champions and students followed the pattern of many years' standing. The usual challenge by the ever hopeful students was offered and accepted. The challengers lost the first game by a narrow margin. This near win inspired the boys to ever increasing effort to win the second game, to force a third game. In the final game, the old men of the staff drew from their years of skill and knowledge and emerged victorious--and still champions.

Every Thursday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. you may tune in to our lo-

1952

This year we have packed 1,500 students in a plant that should occupy 1,000. Next year we expect to house 1,700 in the same accommodation. The Board of Education have done everything they can to alleviate this overcrowding, but to no avail.

cal station and listen to the many activities of all three of our Sarnia Collegiates on the program "High School Marchpast." Representing Scits on the social corner this year was Cathy Vick, on the music corner Judy Wineburg, Sharon Campbell and Leo Drennan, and on the athletic corner--Don Hargin. These students who broadcasted had a great deal of fun doing it, and the listening audience found the program very enjoyable. Therefore, we hope that it will be continued next year if possible.

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The Anti-War Campaign and Cadets 1954

During recent months, in view of somewhat disturbing international relations, and of the manufacture of powerful explosives and poisonous gases capable of depopulating whole cities in a very few hours, the possibility of another world war has made it increasingly imperative that the public be educated in pacifism. An extensive anti-war campaign has begun to

stir the civilized world, and since it is realized that those who are now young will determine the attitude of the next generation towards war, this campaign is being concentrated upon youth. The minister of education has allied himself with the movement by placing a copy of "Cry Havoc!" in every school of the province. It has also been advocated that all war

pictures be removed from the walls of educational institutions. Such measures seem to indicate that public opinion is becoming steadily more prejudiced towards everything that savours of militarism, and we may well wonder whether our own cadet corps, and others throughout the province will be considered sufficiently militaristic to warrant their suspension.

Volleyball

The 1953-54 volleyball game between the teachers and the students followed the now standard routine. The overly-confident students challenged the teachers to a game and the offer was accepted.

After two games each team had won one, and the teachers, of course, won the final game and claimed the Garbett Trophy.

Dinosaur Dingle

The Key Club Dance on February 4, attracted the usual large crowds. The entrance

to the boy's gymnasium was decorated as a large cave entrance, and the walls were covered with cave drawings. Ear-splitting screams were emitted by the "Sh-Boom Brothers" as they chased one another around the cave to the music of "Cave Angel." Drumsticks and pop were sold.

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1940 Track and Field

Three new records were set and four old ones broken at the annual track meet held on the school campus today. The day was warm and sunny with a slight wind sweeping the campus.

Joe Bell captured the senior individual crown with four firsts and a third. Jack McNeil, with seven points, placed second to Bell for senior honours.

Charlie Clarke and Bill Southcombe were tied for the intermediate title. The two boys walked off with five firsts apiece, but they did not meet each other in

competition.

Ken Palmer nosed out Don Hamilton for the junior title and

Grant Nichols edged out Harvey Cocks for the leadership of the juvenile division.

CENTENNIAL IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

One hundred years ago, at the rear and to the north of the little red school house then situated on the site of the present Kenwick Terrace, Sarnia's first Grammar School was built — a one-room frame building. In 1859 a four-room school was built on the site of the present General Hospital. In 1890 the old Collegiate Institute was built on London Road. In 1922 the present building was completed. It seems that every 31 years Sarnia builds a new secondary school, so we have great hopes for additional accommodation in 1953.



1950

MODEL GIRL OF S. C. I.

Figure of.	Rita Schmidt
Clothes of	Ann Hawley
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Eyes of.	Pamela Moore
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Wittiness of	Sally McCrae
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Intelligence of.	Isobel Rutherford

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Clothes of	Chart Reese
Hair of.	Jim Hamilton
Eyes of.	Manuel Commano
Smile of	George Vincent
Friendliness of.	Ron Cox
Personality of	Dick Glass
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Events during the past year have made and will make great changes in the attitude toward education. Public surprise and anxiety over Russia's growing scientific power have launched education onto front pages and into newsreels and news broadcasts. Very vocal minorities cry for a 'return to fundamentals,' a ridiculous movement which could never meet the demands of our complex society; some groups demand cutting down the curricula of all except science courses, which they feel are the only important ones. In the search for scapegoats, much blame has been laid upon the 'soft' courses, but is it really the courses and those who created them who should bear the

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responsibility, or is it the fault of those students who are capable of doing much harder work, yet elect to take those courses.

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they met
Did Romeo and Juliet;
He placed her hand in
his and said,
"Fair Juliet, I would

thee wed."
"Indeed," said she,
"Come, let us go
A-boatin. You can
Rō-me-o."
And as the hours so
quickly sped
A lunch before his love
he spread;
Said he, "Come let us
eat my pet."
So Romy-rowed while
Juli-et.



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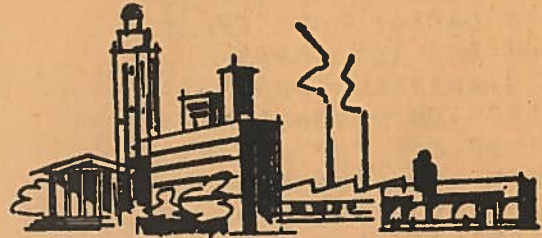
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PACE SETTERS

Soccer - 1971

With the close of another season, SCITS Senior Soccer players were champions. This year was a reflection of last, with the Blue Bombers up against strong opposition and maintaining the victor's trophies. The tenacious team displayed much skill and stamina in defeating such opponents as Northern and St. Clair to win the Referee's Invitational and city championships. Our successful boys continued on to capture an item which remains with us forever, the WOSSA trophy. This year for the first time in Sarnia's history, a secondary school team was represented in the All-Ontario games.

Scits was that chosen team. Our mighty Bombers placed fifth and the referees agreed that we had the best offense there. With the excellent coaching displayed by Mr. Hall and spectacular playing by our soccer team, SCITS is number one. Soccer this year was hard-nosed, rugged and competitive. Determination was what drove the boys on when they were that crucial one goal behind. In our theme of "Finding a Place" the SCITS soccer team is one of the best representatives of the achievement of that goal. Finding a "place" involves a sense of worth and our senior boys certainly have attained that.

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Pickeral Panic

On Friday, February the 22, the Girls Athletic Association sponsored the first dance of 1963. The boy's gym was decorated with fisherman's nets scattered with paper fish. In the cafeteria lanterns hung from the ceiling. As

an added attraction, the Majestics played for those who had come from the four schools. Also there were special dances and two door prizes. All this made the PICKERAL PANIC a success and congratulations to the G. A. A.

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For example, two weeks ago we called station Z F 1Q C on Cayman Island (south of Cuba). We spoke with Mr. J. A. C. Armstrong who was a student at S.C.I. & T.S. in 1922. When S.C.I. & T.S. first opened. The station VE3 STC has also talked with VE8 RCS location about three hundred miles south of the North Pole. Another time we talked with two stations--PYG-F H and PYG TW located in Salvador-Bahia-Brazil.

Another part of the club activities is to operate video tape recorder and TV camera.

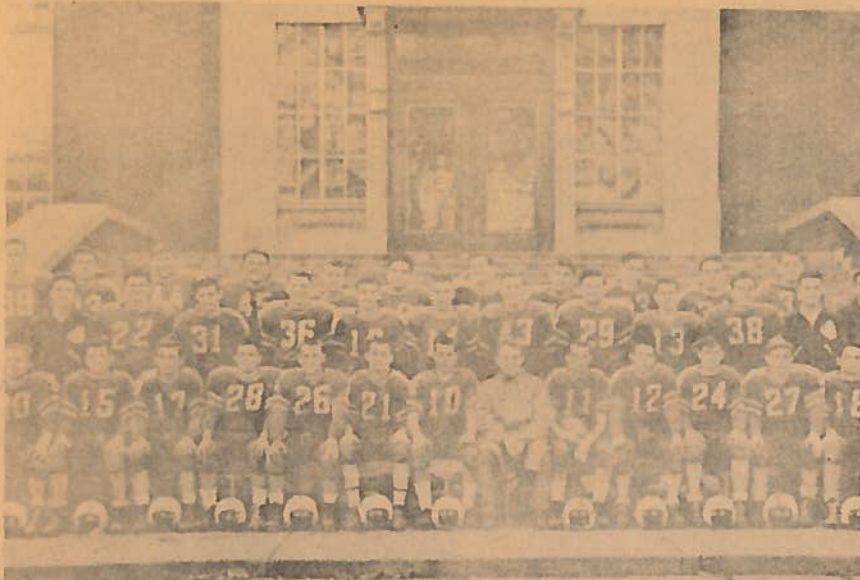
The Ham Radio Club meets every night at 3:15 in Room 118.

Pat McLaughlin

CANADA-WIDE SCIENCE FAIR

The 11th Canada-Wide Science Fair was held at S.C.I.&T.S. during the week of May 9-13, 1972.

Approximately 120 students brought 95 exhibits from across Canada to Sarnia to compete for over \$7,000 in prizes. These outstanding



WOSSA FOOTBALL TEAM

young Canadian scientists were treated to a 5-day program of scientific, cultural, and educational activities culminating with the awards presentation on Saturday, May 13, 1972.

The projects included experimental work in all fields of pure and applied science. The exhibits were



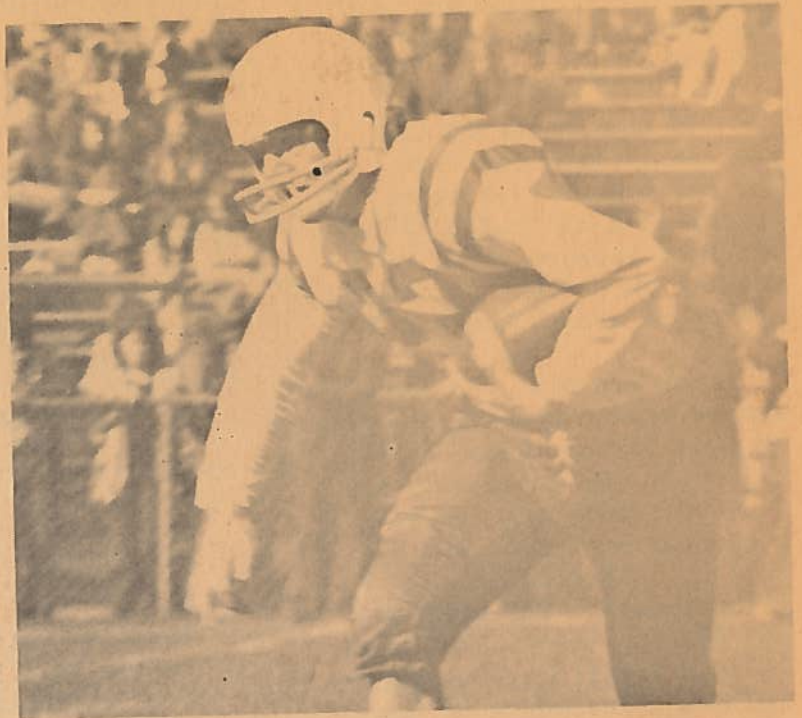
Ted Newton, alias "Rector"

judged by 50 eminent scientists, engineers, and educators.

Three of the winners were awarded trips overseas and one attended the 24th International Geological Congress in Montreal. Nineteen professional scientific and engineering societies provided awards to the top students.

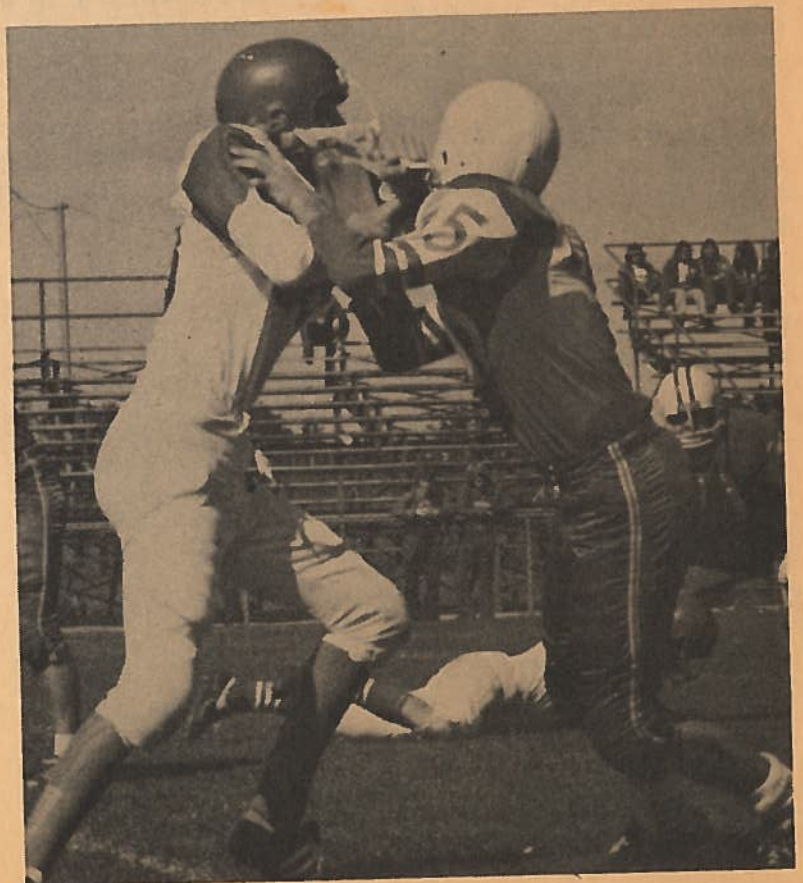
This was the first time the Canada-Wide Science Fair had been held outside a university. S.C.I.&T.S. was chosen because it held one of the first regional science fairs in Canada. "Excellent", "well-organized", "top-quality", "extremely successful", were the adjectives used by judges to describe the fair.

All students, graduates, and teachers should be proud of the contribution made by S.C.I.&T.S. in making the 11th Canada-Wide Science Fair the tremendous success it was.



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